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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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In response to an Office Action mailed May 9, 2005 of a restriction requirement imposed by the Examiner, the Applicants hereby elect with traverse the prosecution of the Species drawn to carbon dioxide which would include the prosecution of claims 1-7, and 9-16, and provisionally elected species of carbon dioxide in now amended claims 17-20.

Claim 9 has been amended to correct a dependency error if Examiner makes the Restriction Requirement Final and withdraws claim 8 and claims 17-20 from further consideration.

Claim 17 has been amended to include carbon dioxide in the claimed Markush group to give Examiner an opportunity to Examine a hereby provisionally elected species (carbon dioxide) as outlined in the guidelines in MPEP 803.02 for examination of generic Markush group claims as Examiner has indicated the disclosed species are by his grouping of claimed species in his Restriction Requirement.